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SUBJECT: VON SCHRADER COMPANY STANDARDS PROBLEM

REF : A. STATE A-1515; B. STATE 205884

1. ENCLOSURES TO REPAIR INDICATE THAT AS OF OCTOBER 1975, VON SCHRADER WAS AWARE THAT ITS EQUIPMENT DID NOT MEET THE VDE STANDARDS FOR SUPPRESSING RADIO INTERFERENCE. VON SCHRADER DOES NOT DISPUTE THIS. IN FACT, THE COMPANY TEST REPORTS INDICATE THAT NOV SCHRADER HAS ITSELF NEVER TESTED THE RADIO INTERFERENCE SUPPRESSION DEVICE BECAUSE THE "ARE NOT EQUIPPED TO TEST THIS FEATURE IN (THEIR) SHOP". VON SCHRADER'S STATED INSTALLATION OF A VDE APPROVED DEVICE IN A VDE MANNER NOTWITHSTANDING, THE FACT REMAINS THAT THE DEVICE AS INSTALLED DOES NOT MEET THE VDE STANDARD.

2. VDE DOES NOT MAKE SPECIFIC TECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO MEET VDE STANDARDS AS REQUESTED REF B.

3. CONSIDERING THE LARGE VOLUME OF U.S. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT WHICH IS SOLD IN GERMANY, WE DOUBT THAT VDE IS DISCRIMINATING AGAINST U.S. FIRMS IN GENERAL OR VON SCHRADER IN PARTICULAR, THE FACT REMAINS THAT THE VON SCHRADER EQUIPMENT WHEN LAST TESTED DID NOT MEET THE VDE REQUIREMENTS.

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4. WE WOULD THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT ONCE VON SCHRADER

HAS OBTAINED A NEW REPRESENTATIVE IN GERMANY, THAT
IT REAPPLY FOR VDE APPROVAL AFTER ENSURING THAT THE
MACHINE MEETS THE OBJECTIONS STATED BY VDE IN ITS
LAST TEST REPORT.LEHMANN

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